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TO: ALL MEDICARE-CERTIFIED HOME HEALTH AGENCIES

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SUBJECT: **OUTCOME BASED QUALITY MONITORING (OBQM) REPORTS**
OASIS REQUIREMENTS TO MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES

Enclosed are two documents that we received from the Health Care Financing Administration regarding:

- The Application of Outcome and Assessment Information Set (OASIS) Requirements to Medicare Beneficiaries-Procedures Affecting Home Health Agencies (HHAs) and OASIS Requirements; and,
- Implementation of the Outcome Based Quality Monitoring (OBQM) Reports as Part of the Home Health Agency (HHA) Survey Process

Surveys conducted on or after March 26, 2001, will include the OBQM reports.

If you have any questions about the enclosed information, you may contact Virginia Loper, R.N., Supervisor, Residential Community Care Program at (208) 334-6626.

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Enclosures
cc: Idaho Association of Home Health Agencies